

## **City, OTA eye expressway access**

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The wheels are turning on a plan that could put new entrance and exit ramps on the Creek Turnpike at Aspen Avenue.

The city council Tuesday approved a resolution to work with the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority on the undertaking and pay half of its estimated \$3.5 million cost.

City manager Jim Twombly said the resolution begins a process that includes engineering, land acquisition and environmental impact studies.

He said completion is being projected for 2010-2011, but expressed hope that time frame could be shortened.

Driving the project is continuing development in the area where Aspen crosses the expressway between 111th and 121st streets. The city is eager to see the project completed because of continuing growth there, said city spokesman Keith Sterling.

To reach this point, Twombly said the OTA has studied this project and has determined it to be feasible.